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SUBJECT; POSSIBLE PRESS STORY ON EXXON' S DIFFICULTIES WITH
CAZZANIGA

1. EXXON HEAD OFFICE IN NEW YORK INFORMED DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY STABLER APRIL 12 THAT WALL STREET JOURNAL STRINGER IN ROME HAS APPARENTLY GOT WIND OF EXXON' S DIFFICULTIES WITH FORMER PRESIDENT OF ESSO ITALIANA CAZZANIGA. STRINGER AFTER CONSULTING WITH WALL STREET JOURNAL REPRESENTATIVE IN LONDON HAS BEEN TOLD TO DEVELOP STORY AND EXXON NEW YORK ANTICIPATES THAT SOMETHING WILL BE PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK. EXXON NEW YORK DID NOT KNOW EXACTLY WHAT POSSIBLE STORY MIGHT COVER BEYOND INDICATIONS OF SOME OF CAZZANIGA' S MISUSE OF EXXON' S FUNDS AND HIS QTE EARLY RETIREMENT UNQTE FROM ESSO ITALIANA.

2. EXXON NEW YORK HAS PREPARED CONTINGENCY PRESS STATEMENT IN EVENT THE STORY BREAKS WHICH STATES: QTE WE ARE INVESTIGATING THE ACTIVITIES OF DR. CAZZANIGA DURING HIS TERM AS PRESIDENT AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF ESSO ITALIANA. OUR INVESTIGATION IS NOT YET COMPLETE AND WE THEREFORE HAVE NO COMMENTS TO MAKE AT THIS TIME. IF YOU HAVE FACTS, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEM AS PART OF OUR INVESTIGATION,
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BUT WE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO CONFIRM, DENY, OR ADD TO
YOUR INFORMATION. UNQTE

3. EXON NEW YORK REQUESTED THAT AMBASSADOR IN ROME BE
INFORMED OF THIS DEVELOPMENT. ROGERS

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